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**PATENT**  
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**IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : FERGUSON, Patrick et al.  
Serial No. : 10/728,048  
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Title : METHOD FOR THERMALLY PRINTING A DYE IMAGE  
ONTO A THREE DIMENSIONAL OBJECT USING A  
DYE CARRIER SHEET

Examiner : MAZUMDAR, Sonya

Art Unit: 1734

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington DC 20231

**DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.130**

Dear Sir:

I, Kenneth Neri, unequivocally declare that:

1. I am an employee of Key-Tech, Inc. located at 128 Bay State Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02888, USA, and as such was a member of the inventor team working on the above mentioned invention filed under U.S. Patent Application No. 10/728,048.

2. I am also a co-inventor of the claimed subject matter of the above identified patent application no. 10/728,048 ("the present application").

3. I am also the one of the inventors of the invention disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 7,137,426 with a Serial No. of 10/097,717 and Publication No. of 2002/0131062 ("the Neri et al reference"). The Neri et al reference Publication


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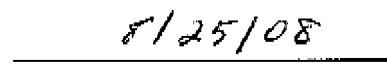
No. 2002/0131062 (US Patent No. 7,137,426) and application Serial No.

10/728,048 are commonly owned by the same entity, namely, Key-Tech, Inc. of Warwick, Rhode Island.

4. As a member of the inventor team responsible for the development of a multi-directional radiation emitters for printing a dye image on a three dimensional object contained in both the present application and the Neri et al. reference, I jointly conceived of and developed with co-inventor Rudolf Mutter, in the Neri et al. reference, the concept of a multi-directional radiation emitters for printing a dye image on a three dimensional object, that is covered in the claimed subject matter of the present application and described in the Neri et al. reference.

5. All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine and/or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that any such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent resulting therefrom.

  
Kenneth Neri

  
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